

WI-177
Crawford-Dashiell House
Quantico
Private

c. 1880

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: CRAWFORD-DASHIELL HOUSE

MHT Inventory Number: WI-177

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE

2) Geographic Orientation: Eastern Shore

3) Chronological/Development Period(s):

4) Resource Type(s): Industrial-Urban Dominance,
1870-1930
Single-family dwelling

Maryland Historical Trust
State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. WI-177

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic CRAWFORD-DASHIELL HOUSE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number P. O. Box 63, Main Street ☐ not for publication

city, town Quantico ☐ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Wicomico

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Marc F. Amy

street & number P. O. Box 63 telephone no.:

city, town Quantico state and zip code MD 21856

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Wicomico County Clerk of Court liber 1238

street & number Wicomico County Courthouse folio 473

city, town Salisbury state MD 21803

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Historically identified as the Crawford-Dashiell house, and also commonly known as the Lindsley house, this two-story, tee-shaped frame dwelling is located in Quantico, Wicomico County, Maryland. The house faces west with the principal gable roof oriented on an east/west axis.

Built around 1880-1900, this two-story, tee-shaped frame dwelling rests on a low brick foundation, and the building is clad with vinyl siding. The steeply pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

The west (main) elevation is an asymmetrical facade with a center entrance sheltered by a turned post front porch. The glazed front door, topped by a single-pane transom, is flanked on the left (north) by a two-over-two sash window. The second floor and the projecting front leg of the tee house are marked by two-over-two sash windows. Rising through the center of the house are narrow brick stove chimneys with corbelled caps.

The south side of the house is three bays across with a turned post porch covering the full length of the first floor and turning the southeast corner as well. Two-over-two sash windows light the first and second floors. The north gable end is marked by single two-over-two sash windows on each floor.

The house retains much of its late nineteenth century interior woodwork. The center hall contains a turned baluster stair with bold turned newel posts and a molded handrail. Plain board surrounds with beaded inside corners frame four-panel doors that open into adjacent rooms. The dining room, located in the southwest corner of the house, features a Tuscan columned mantel with a mirrored overmantel. Located behind the dining room is the kitchen, which has an enclosed staircase fixed in the northwest corner of the room. There is a small four-panel door to closet beneath the stair. The ceiling is finished with beaded tongue-and-groove boards. At the east end of the hallway is a doorway into a laundry and bathroom, where there is a reused early nineteenth century six-panel door.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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The relatively intact condition of this late nineteenth century house qualifies it for listing in Category B, a designation that signifies structures that should be preserved since they exhibit some good architectural details representing a good example of architectural development and style, and which support the character of the district.

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CRAWFORD-DASHIELL HOUSE
Quantico, Maryland
Chain of title

1238/473 Charles Donald Kiser
 Mary O'Hara Kiser

to

11/27/1990 Marc Francis Amy
 Mary Angela Amy

AJS 1007/659 H. Stanley Jones, Sr.
 Nora Lynn Jones

to

3/16/1984 Charles D. Kiser
 Mary O'Hara Kiser

JWTS 753/234 William A. Lindsley, widower

to

2/18/1972 H. Stanley Jones, Jr.
 Noralynn Jones

IDT 172/51 William Gilliss et ux.
 Flora Powell Gilliss

to

11/18/1931 William A. Lindsley
 Anna F. Lindsley

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Chain of title continued

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Rollie D. Gilliss, Executor of
Nathaniel P. Dashiell

to

11/17/1931

William Gilliss

JTT 24/117

Sarah E. Owens
Alexander F. Owens, Anne Arundel Co., MD

to

12/30/1898

Nathaniel P. Dashiell
\$950.00

FMS 3/397

Horatio Nelson Crawford
Sarah A. E. Crawford, et al. (Anna Maria
Langdale & Henry J. Langsdale)

to

7/6/1888

Sarah E. Owens
\$350.00

all that lot of ground with the improvements
thereon situated in the Town of Quantico,
in Wicomico County, and lying between the
lots of Hettie E. Windsor and that of George
B. Venables being the house & lot bought
by John Taylor of William from Henry Gale
and wife and by him devised one half to
George W. Phillips, et al. and one half to
Anna Maria Bratten, now wife of Henry J.
Langsdale



